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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
9 AT SEATTLE

10 TATYANA MASON, et al.

11 Plaintiffs,

12 v.

13 JOHN MASON,

14 Defendant.

CASE NO. C17-5289JLR

ORDER GRANTING
STIPULATED MOTION TO
CONTINUE TRIAL DATE

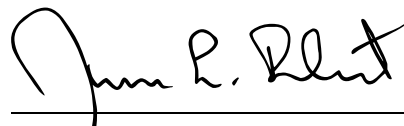
15 Before the court is the parties' joint stipulated motion for a continuance of their
16 trial date. (Stip. Mot. (Dkt. # 70).) The parties contend that there is good cause for a
17 continuance due to (1) Plaintiff Tatyana Mason's ongoing treatment for cancer, (2) the
18 continuance of an agreed-to mediation due to Ms. Mason's ongoing treatment, and (3)
19 Ms. Mason's counsel's pending motion to withdraw as her counsel (Mot. to Withdraw
20 (Dkt. # 67)). (Stip. Mot. at 1-2.) The parties request the court to "assign a new trial date
21 as soon as the [c]ourt's calendar allows, but no sooner than September 1, 2021" because
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1 that is Ms. Mason's earliest "back to work date" according to her treating physician. (*Id.*
2 at 1.)

3 Due to continuances resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, the court has a full
4 docket that would quickly fall into disarray if the court granted extensions to every party
5 who faced scheduling difficulties. The court will not imperil the trial dates of other
6 parties on the court's calendar by granting the parties an extension that disrupts a
7 previously scheduled trial. Under these circumstances, the earliest date the court's
8 calendar allows a new trial date to be scheduled is August 29, 2022.

9 Thus, the court GRANTS the parties' stipulated motion to continue (Dkt. # 70).
10 The Clerk is authorized to issue a minute order setting a new trial date for August 29,
11 2022, along with other relevant deadlines. As this trial date shall result in a new
12 discovery cutoff deadline, the court DIRECTS the Clerk to strike the pending motion to
13 compel (Dkt. # 63).

14 Dated this 8th day of January, 2021.

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17 JAMES L. ROBART
18 United States District Judge
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